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LONDON, June 18.

On the resumption of the Preference debate in the House of Commons, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald announced he would vote against all ten resolutions. He said the first four innocent looking resolutions were a preliminary declaration in favour of the full programme of Imperial Preference.

When the House of Commons resumed, Mr. Stanley Baldwin declared the decision would be one of profound interest and far reaching importance. (Opposition cheers.) It was important to pass the resolutions as they stood. A reference by Mr. Baldwin to the absence of Mr. Lloyd George caused Opposition laughter in view of the belief that Mr. Lloyd George's absence was deliberate. Mr. Baldwin agreed the resolutions were defeated there could be no talk of breach of faith as Parliament was supreme.

COMMITTEE SUGGESTED.

Mr. Baldwin suggested the Government might form a committee of economic experts to study the whole question of Empire development and economic system suitable to Britain at present. Then the political leaders could consider the committee's report and see whether there was any possibility of evolving a fiscal system which might help us at present and on which there might be sufficient agreement to carry it.

Mr. Baldwin also suggested an arrangement with the Dominions whereby an enormous amount of foodstuffs we required might be obtained solely from the Dominions and brought to Britain at cost price and distributed with the least possible margin and obtaining in exchange free entry of British manufactures into the Dominions where those goods would not compete against Dominion goods. It that could be done it might last for the best part of a generation after which it could be reviewed in order to see whether the Dominions which had filled up in the meantime desired to become more of manufacturing countries than before.

"NONSENSE!"

Mr. Baldwin declared that defeat of the resolutions would imperil the future of the whole Empire. (Opposition cheers and Ministerial cries of "Nonsense!")

The Dominions would reluctantly seek elsewhere what we would not give them and there was no country in the world that would not jump at the opportunity.

Mr. Asquith declared the verdict of the general election already condemned the resolutions. (Ministerial and Liberal cheers.)

He would vote against all the resolutions. Mr. Asquith, amid loud Ministerial and Liberal laughter, ridiculed the resolutions, causing strong Opposition resentment.

He declared they were an attenuated, emasculated, anaemic and apocryphal version of the full-blooded nostrum of Imperial Preference and quoted Mr. Bruce as saying that this was not the real thing which he was contending.

PREMIER'S OPINION.

Mr. MacDonald emphasised the policy of preference as advocated by the Opposition would necessitate the abandonment of our principles and recasting our fiscal system. Mr. Baldwin's speech but was a plea not merely for Imperial Preference but for tariffs and protection inevitably involving increased food taxation. Mr. MacDonald denied the Government was cold-shouldering the Dominions. He declared that except in the case of unmanufactured tobacco, it did not prove that preference helped to develop the resources of the Empire and emphasised he was backing the Empire emigration scheme for all he was worth. He thought we were thus going to draw the Dominions nearer us and he was sure that along the lines of the Imperial Economic Committee and creation of machinery so that public opinion in the Empire should influence Empire policy far more than in preferences, lay the solution of the problem of creating an economic policy whereby Protectionist Dominions and Free Trade Britain could co-operate in building up a strong community of nations based on sound economic foundations.

LATER.

The first preference resolution was defeated by 278 to 272 votes.

MR. SNOWDEN'S PROMISE.

Mr. Snowden declared the resolutions would tie the hands of future Chancellors of the Exchequer. For example no Labour Chancellor could abolish the sugar duty in the next decade without breaking the word of the House. (Ministerial cheers and Opposition cries of "Nonsense!")

Referring to Mr. Lloyd George's absence, Mr. Snowden said he understood Mr. Lloyd George paired in support of some resolutions. Loud Opposition cheers.

Mr. Snowden promised that the Government would earnestly consider Mr. Baldwin's proposal which he understood was that the Government should arrange with the Government of Australia that the whole of Australian production should be sent to Britain and distributed by the Government at cost price. The Government had already gone some distance in that direction because it had proposed to the Dominions the establishment of a permanent economic committee to consider the possibility of increasing consumption of Empire food products in the United Kingdom and the promoting of the interests of both producer and consumer.

LATER.

The second, third and fourth resolutions relating to tobacco, wines and sugar were defeated 284-271, 285-268 and 283-263 respectively. Mr. Baldwin thereupon announced that he did not intend to move the remaining six resolutions.

KIND BUT FIRM.

AMERICA'S REPLY TO JAPAN.

INCIDENT NOW CLOSED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, June 18.

Mr. Hughes' reply to the Japanese protest is in a kindly tone but is strongly worded. It declares Congress is wholly within its rights and the new Statute is mandatory upon the executive leaving no latitude for exercise of discretion. The provision which called the question does not greatly differ in practical operation from the understanding with Japan. It embodied the gentlemen's agreement and declares the appropriateness of the long established United States policy which is not due to any lack of esteem for the Japanese people. Their character and achievements had been confirmed rather than questioned by voluntary action by the Japanese Government in aiding its execution. It points out Japan has not failed to exercise her own discretion respecting admission of aliens and the conditions of their settlement in Japan. The United States in the treaty of 1894 expressly reserved the right to enact its restrictive immigration laws. Diplomatic circles are of the opinion that the incident is now closed.

GUILTY MUST SUFFER.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S DECISION.

ALLAYING PUBLIC ANGER.

ROME, June 18.

Signor Mussolini's appreciation of the seriousness of the national situation arising from the Matteotti crime is evident from the semi-official statement declaring all authors of crime would be arrested and the authorities were now on the track of some of the accomplices.

Signor Mussolini desires the guilty to be fully punished. The appointment of a new Minister of the Interior in replacement of Director General of Public Safety is calculated to satisfy public opinion. This explains the complete calm of the country and the total failure of isolated attempts at demonstrations and strikes. The situation can now be regarded as normal.

STILL A MYSTERY.

ROME, June 18.

Filippelli is undergoing many hours of stringent interrogation, but no light has yet been thrown on Matteotti's fate, except the allegedly damning evidence against Davini in whose luggage it is stated blood-stained articles were discovered.

WORLD TENNIS.

THE DAVIS CUP.

PARIS, June 18.

In the third round of the Davis Cup, France beat India, Cochet and Brunton defeating Hadi and A. H. Fyze by 6-1, 6-4, 7-5.

LADIES AT WIMBLEDON.

BRITAIN V. AMERICA.

LONDON, June 18.

In the Wimbledon ladies' lawn-tennis match between the British and American teams, Mrs. Covell (British) beat the American star Miss Willis 6-2, 6-4 and Miss McKyne beat Mrs. Mallory 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Covell and Mrs. Shepherd Barron (British) beat Mrs. Jessup and Miss Goss 6-2, 6-2. Mrs. Covell's somewhat hollow defeat of Miss Willis whose record achievement has established her as a strong challenger to Mlle. Lenglen caused a sensation in lawn-tennis circles who had been anticipating a great struggle between Miss Willis and Mlle. Lenglen in the Wimbledon final. Miss Willis was not versatile. She had a faulty length and repeatedly double-faulted. She was slow and it is inconceivable that she showed her true form.

NAVAL BASE SALE.

SINGAPORE PRECAUTIONS.

LONDON, June 18.

In the House of Commons, replying to Captain Viscount Curzon, Mr. C. G. Ammon, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, said he was aware that plant collected for the Singapore naval base had been offered for sale. The contingency of the scheme having to be proceeded with in certain events had not been overlooked and no offers would be accepted which were likely to involve the State in loss.

Replying to supplementary questions, Mr. Ammon said no prejudice had been done in regard to any future action. The plant offered included everything that would deteriorate by keeping. It might generally be accepted as right that other material was not being offered.

CUMMINS INCIDENT.

WASHINGTON, June 18.

The American Embassy has taken over the archives of the British Legation at Mexico City which were in the custody of Mr. Cummins.

DENMARK AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, June 18.

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It was alleged that Heron, who lodged at the house of the woman's mother, eloped with a young married woman, a pianist at a cinema.

Mr Fryzer said he understood that there had been a *rapprochement*.

The Magistrate (Mr. Chapman): Do you mean he will marry her?

Mr Fryzer: Not while this charge is hanging over his head.

No money has been traced to him.

The Magistrate: I will adjourn the case if there is nothing to hinder the marriage.

The woman was then asked by the clerk if she had ever been married, and with some hesitancy she said she had—about 15 years ago.

Was your husband's name Sidney Moore and did he live at Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire?—I know he is dead. I have not seen him for more than 10 years.

Exhibiting a faded photograph from the letter, the clerk asked if that was a picture of her and her child.

The Woman: Yes. But I know my husband is dead.

The Clerk: Oh, no—he is alive.

Mr. Champman said this development much altered the position and Heron was further remanded on bail.

SUICIDE FROM LINER.
EFFECT OF UNREQUITED
LOVE.

Driven mad by thoughts of unrequited love for his girl at home, Mr. Thorndyke Hilton, wealthy Chicagoan, aged 21, committed suicide by jumping overboard in the night off the steamer

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Two deck stewards and two passengers saw the melanchol

ing youth walk aft and seize the hanging rope and swing himself over the rail into the churning water around the propeller. An immediate alarm was given, and three lifeboats with lights were thrown overboard, while the ship was

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Mr. P. Nelke's Cockpit won the Esher Cup at Sandown Park by a neck from Coramond, with Frater third.

Reports that Mr. Baldwin is shortly resigning the leadership of the Unionist party are described as entirely without foundation.

Unfavourable weather marked the opening of the cricket season. The South African team began the first match of their English tour at Leicester.

It is officially announced that the King has been pleased to appoint Sir Edward Elgar, O.M., Master of the Music. Mr. Robin H. Legge contributes some interesting details of the office of "Master of the King's Music."

The Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, and Prince Arthur of Connaught were among the guests at the Royal Academy banquet, at which Sir Aston Webb, president, occupied the chair.

Mr. Robert Pauling, late chief goods manager of the North-Eastern Railway Company in Hull, who left estate valued at £39,358, made a number of bequests to charitable and educational organisations.

The Duke of York has sent out 200 invitations to factories and workshops throughout the country and 200 to the public schools, asking that boys may be selected to attend his summer camp at Romney Marsh.

On the report stage of the Prevention of Eviction Bill, an amendment was moved to prevent a landlord, who bought a house after the passing of the Act, evicting a tenant without providing alternative accommodation.

Their Majesties visited the British Industries Fair at the White City. The Fairs conducted by the Department of Overseas Trade for the benefit of our overseas customers. The King and Queen spent two hours in making a tour of the stands.

In the forthcoming international contest for the Beaumont Cup, held at Istres on June 22, Great Britain will be represented by a new racing plane, which it is hoped will attain a speed of 270 miles an hour. It has many secret devices for lessening head resistance and increasing speed.

A diplomatic correspondent states that from reports received it would appear that the extreme left wing of the Bolsheviks at Moscow have seized the reins of government. The new leaders do not, he adds, hesitate to order the arrest of actual or potential rivals among the "Moderates."

Hampshire, who are opposing Middlesex in their first County Cricket Championship match of the season at Lord's, were dismissed for 119. No play was possible at Derby in the game between the South Africans and Derbyshire owing to the state of the wicket.

A political observer states that it is practically decided that the Irish Free State will be authorised to maintain its own diplomatic representative in direct contact with the State Department at Washington. He will be a Minister Plenipotentiary, and his functions will be limited to economic and financial questions.

With impressive ceremony in the presence of a great gathering, Admiral Sir R. Webb unveiled a memorial to "Our Glorious Dead" at Ipswich. Around the cenotaph were grouped contingents from the Royal Navy, the 2nd and 4th Suffolks, the Royal Air Force, the Coastal Artillery, and the Ipswich Girl Guides and Boy Scouts.

In an important speech at the annual dinner of the Junior Imperial and Constitutional League, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, M.P., discussed the policy of the Unionist party. They were conducting inquiries into questions of insurance, housing and industry with a view to improving the situation. Dealing with the cost of living, he said he was not satisfied that the people were obtaining them as cheaply as they should.

Eighteen teams, members of the London Private Fire Brigades Association, entered for the thirteenth annual contest for the Corporation of London silver challenge shield, held at the Guildhall. The Midland Bank team secured the trophy, being 13-2-5sec ahead of the Oram Lamp Works, who won last year. The Lord Mayor, who was accompanied by the Lady Mayoress, presented the shield and medals.

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Four of them giving a total of 300 h.p. are to propel a vast new flying-boat now in contemplation, with a bigger and stancher hull than any aerial craft has yet been given. This ship of the air will be so seaworthy in addition to its power of high-speed flight, that it will be able to ride successfully really big waves in the open sea. Such secret strides are being made in solving the problem of keeping the giant boat-planes sufficiently light that designers are now making ready for a craft weighing 150 tons in one case.

The great slender hull of the machine enormously strong, and yet phenomenally light, is to be given a separate engine plant driving an underwater screw, which will enable it to manoeuvre on the surface of the sea just as would an ordinary ship.

The new flying-boat will have a ship's rudder, anchors, and all the imperimenta of a sea going vessel. While above its narrow deck will rise three tiers of widespread wings, giving sufficient lifting power when the captain of the ship sets going his zero engines and air propellers, to rise the monster bodily from the water and bear it skyward at 100 miles an hour.

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THE ENGLISHMAN.

A NATION THAT DOES NOT WORRY.

A word for the Englishman was spoken by Mr. Stanley Baldwin at a festival dinner at the Hotel Cecil the other night.

Among the things he said were the following: "The Englishman is all right as long as he is contented to be what God made him—an Englishman."

"There is no nation on earth that has a greater knack of producing geniuses."

"We grumble, but we never worry."

"There are foreign nations who worry, but do not grumble."

"Grumbling is much more superficial, and leaves less of a mark on the character."

"The Englishman, by the absence of worry, keeps his nervous system sound and sane."

"The Englishman is made for a time of crisis and emergency; he is serene in difficulties; when he once starts he is persistent to the death, and he is matchless in action."

"It is in staying power that the Englishman is supreme."

"What will England stand for in the minds of generations to come if our country goes on during the next generation in seeing her fields converted into towns?"

"To me England is the country, and the country is England."

Mr. Baldwin added: "The tinkle of the hammer on the anvil in the country smithy, the creak of the saw in the dewy morning, the sound of the scythe against the whetstone, and the sight of a plough team coming over the brow of a hill, the wild anemones in the woods in April, the last load of hay being drawn down the lane as twilight comes, and the smell of wood-smoke coming up in an autumn evening—so England comes to me when I am abroad."

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HARRY LAUDER AT SING-SING PRISON.

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"The most extraordinary experience I had while away was in America where I sang to convicts at Sing-Sing. The American convict has more privileges and liberty than the English gaolbird; in fact the Americans seem to desire to make all their prisoners thoroughly at home."

"They had the prison orchestra ready for me, but as I did not bring my band parts so I just sang to them for an hour and twenty minutes with a piano accompaniment."

"Before I left they sent me an illuminated address inscribed 'To the Knight of good cheer—from the convicts of Sing-Sing.'"

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GEMS FROM SCHOOL.

HOW SAMSON SLEW THE PHILISTINES.

Holiday time brings to light many new schoolboy howlers created during the term. One of these is that of a youthful cricket enthusiast who, asked to give a reference to games in the Bible, quoted "Beware of the 'leven of the Philistines!'"

Another boy according to the *Daily Mail*, wrote "In ancient Greece a man had only one wife and it was called Monotony."

Biblical subjects are a certain source of school blunders. "Samson slew the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles," averred one boy.

The child who sang of "Good Mrs. Murphy" for goodness and mercy must be put in the same class as the little girl who sang the hymn, "Weak and sinful though we be," in the form, "We can sin, full though we be."

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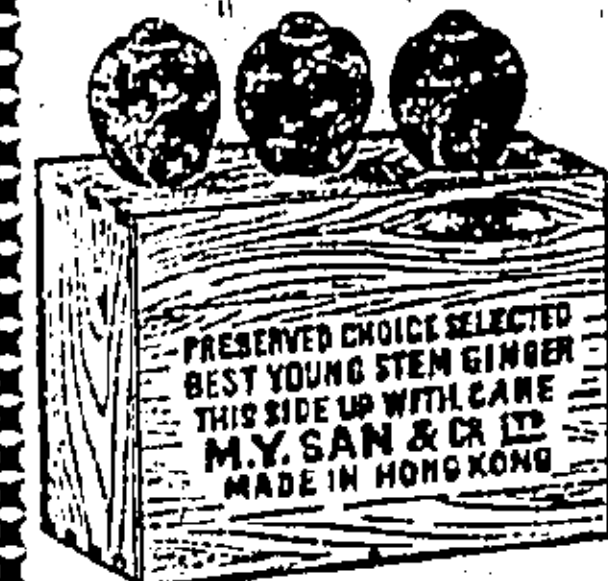
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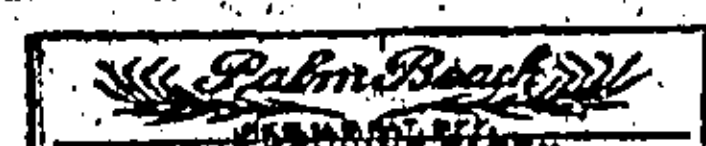
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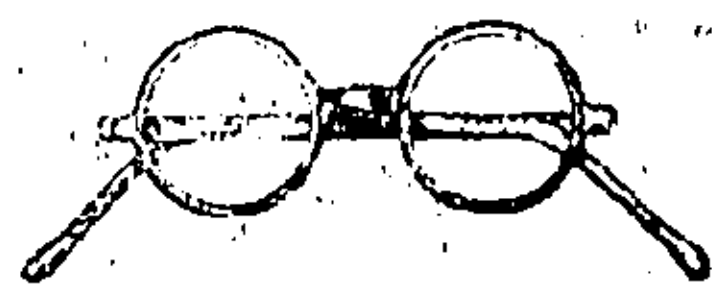
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BIRTH.

SCHARPF.—On June 12, 1924, at
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. O.
Scharpf, a daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, June 19, 1924.

AMAZING PIRACY INCIDENT.

Piracy has long been a bitter
spot locally. While this has been
distinctly unfortunate, tending at
times to obscure the real issues, it
has hardly been surprising.
Exterminations could only be
expedited, after all, when each new
effort to abate the evil appeared
to leave the outlaw gangs more
independent than ever. Nobody
directly concerned with tackling
the problem has altogether
escaped criticism. Sometimes it
has been the police who were said
to be at fault; other times it has
been the naval authorities who
were held to blame for the seem-
ing impunity with which the

pirates carried out their attacks.
But there is one class which has
been singled out more than any
other for reproach—the officers who
man the ships trading through the
danger zone. Doubtless this
blame has occasionally been
merited—individuals are bound to
err—but it cannot be upheld for
more than a very small minority;
and, anyway, it is offset twenty-
fold by the praise due to the
many men who have carried out
their duties with unobtrusive
efficiency, and when the need has
arisen, with marked courage.
What the public must remember,
after all, is that for every example
of lax discipline or sheer negli-
gence they have heard about there
are a hundred, a thousand
instances of strict vigilance and
stern efficiency which have never
got into print. Sometimes there
are cases where the sense of duty
has been carried to exemplary
lengths. One of these came under
our notice this week, and we wish
we could add that it had met with
the support it deserved. The facts
as given to us are these. The

master of Kongmoon steamer put
back not less than 25 miles to
report that the s.s. "Flores" was
being pirated. The vessel was
lying off an island in the Delta
and there were about 100 pirates
on board. Leaving his ship about
four o'clock in the morning, the
Kongmoon skipper walked
through the paddy fields, incident-
ally getting wet to the skin, and
went on board the British gunboat
"Cicada." He passed on his
information to the officer of the
watch, but nothing was done he
says, until 8:30 when a cable was
sent to Hongkong. "The skipper
adds that he was not even thanked
and only got a cup of tea when he
asked for one. These additional
facts are relevant because he men-
tions that the Hongkong police
had told him any information he
could give would be most welcome.
According to him, however, the
gunboat was too busy dressing
ship for the King's birthday to
chase the pirates with the result
that they escaped. The skipper's
disappointment was the more
bitter because the gang was led
by Wong Ng, the man who
recently demanded money from
Sir Robert Ho Tung, and he main-
tains that the gunboat had a
priceless chance to catch this
notorious pirate red-handed on the
high seas. The chance was simply
thrown away, he adds, and the net
outcome was a bad attack of fever
for himself. "These are damaging
statements, and we should be
reluctant to believe that there are
no extenuating circumstances the
gunboat could advance. Piracy is
an international crime and we
should think justifies the most
drastic punitive measures. Until
we have heard the other side, how-
ever, we must in common fairness
reserve final judgment. Accord-
ingly at this stage we content our-
selves with the remark that the
police can hardly expect steamer
captains to put back twenty-six
miles, brudge through the rain and
then be met with less than the
barest civility. Much less can
they expect to cope with the
piracy evil if an impression is to
get abroad that valuable informa-
tion will not be used to the best
purpose and pirates when their
doom is almost certain are to be
allowed to escape. Having heard
only one side of the case we have
written with the greatest
restraint, but we feel very
strongly that what has been said
is amply sufficient to justify the
most searching inquiry.

Going to the Dogs.

Long before the Labour Gov-
ernment came into power there
were people who held the country
was "going to the dogs." This
pneptic class was largely limited,
however, to dowager duchesses
and apoplectic colonels. When
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and his
followers carried the day the
country decaying suddenly in-
creased and their goblin fears
actually influenced the stock
markets. Then came the
reaction. The pendulum swung
in the other direction—so far,
indeed, that any serious threat of
the Labour Cabinet being forced
to resign was sufficient to cause
stocks to decline again. How-
ever, there are still people who
affect to see the writing on the
wall and bemoan their country's
unimely fate. According to
latest papers from Home these
lunatic alarmists have re-
ceived a just rebuke from the
President of the Board of Trade.
Responding to the toast, "The
Prosperity of British Industry
and Trade," at a luncheon of the
National Federation of Iron and
Steel Manufacturers the other
day at the Grand Hotel, Mr.
Sydney Webb said he could not
help thinking that British indus-
try would benefit if there
were a little less secrecy with
more of the industry playing its
hand as a whole. He had been
very much struck during the last
three months by the prominence
which had been given to foreign
competition. They had been
pursued in the House of Commons
from time to time by members
who had been anxious to adver-
tise the fact to the world that
this or that order had failed to
come to British industry. That
might be a bad fact, but he ap-
peared that so much should not be
said about it. Then a British
firm got an order they did not

hear about it. Psychologically it
would pay British industry better
to emphasise the fact that our
exports of iron and steel were 88
per cent. of what they were in
1913 rather than the fact that in
some cases we did not get our ten-
ders accepted. That is obvious
common sense and it is to be hoped
it will silence the croakers.

Canton Situation.

Now that the Dragon Boat
Festival is over, non-interested
people in Hongkong and South
China, are still looking forward to
the grand campaign contemplated
by Canton, which was intended
to wipe out all the rival factions
and establish permanent peace.
These promises were not made in
so many words, but hints were
thrown out that an offen-
sive would be made on the
East River where the
most serious anti-Sun opposition
is firmly entrenched. Hongkong
is not particularly interested as
to who will be victorious. The
Colony sincerely hopes, however,
that whoever wins will get about
it with no waste of time and give
the province a chance to settle
down. Unofficial accounts attri-
bute the reverses suffered by Sun's
northern troops to lack of
co-operation, while there is also
talk of peace propaganda having
influenced the men's morale.
A suggestion seriously and honestly
made by a merchant who is
interested in many Canton
establishments is that neither
belligerent be recognised by the
people who can make a move in
the right direction by ensuring
peace themselves. This is no idle
talk, but a plan which can easily
be carried out as the Merchants and
Villagers Militia, formally re-
cognised throughout the province,
are quite capable of putting it into
effect.

When
next
month, Mr. W. E. Cutler of the
University of Manitoba starts
excavating for fossil dinosaurs in
East Africa, if his plans mature as
anticipated, an opportunity will be
presented to the British Museum,
which is financing the expedition,
to obtain some unrivalled speci-
mens of this prehistoric creature.
The site to be opened up is about
fifty miles slightly west by north
of Lindi, which is an open road-
stead near the southern extremity
of Tanganyika, and was originally
worked with some success by the
Germans. It is believed certain
"re-weaver," that the field has really
been severely touched. That the
expectations of the trustees of the
museum will not be disappointed,
and that funds will permit, and
results warrant the exploration
being continued for at least two
seasons, is greatly to be hoped.

The only fault I
WEMBLEY, have to find with
Wembley is its
name (says an Evening
Standard writer). "Wembley"
suggests something that is wobbly
and tremble. It needs starching,
or reinforcing with concrete or
something. I cannot but regret
that our great show should be thus
labelled for posterity when we
have so many good beef-and-iron-
and-roses sort of place-names in
the country.

ONE FOR BILL SIKES. Bill Sikes
has been
baffled. Burglar-proof safes have
been raided by the Knight of Night
of the Blemie, in spite of the lock-
smith's ingenuity, but tears are the
underlying method of a new
device to prevent bank burglaries
in Chicago. May banks through-
out the country have installed a
system whereby a vault is
released whenever a vault is
tampered with. A score of bandit
gangs drilled safes recently and
found all they could do was to cry.
The only remedy was to rush into
the open air. The Orange State
Bank in a Chicago suburb was
attacked, and dense fumes quickly
permeated the building, so that the
weeping bandits were forced to
leap into a waiting motor car,
leaving their tools and cash behind
them. But what about the daring
desperado who walked into a bank
and held up the staff with a
Browning machine gun while his
accomplice collected the booty and
office munitions, then skipped
into the panting motor car and
vanished over the horizon?

In the volume of
recollections on
ADMIRERS, titled "Myself
and Others," Miss
Jessie Millward, the actress, gives
an amusing description of Bernard
Shaw reading "The Devil's
Disciple" to Tertius, who loathed
having plays read to him, and who
fell sound asleep during the read-
ing, much to the annoyance of the
dramatist. Like most actresses,
Miss Millward had her "unknown
admirers," and one of them, a
very shabby and a very little
elderly man, according to the
stage doorman, used to send her,
not the traditional bouquets and

invitations to supper after the per-
formance, but useful little tips for
big races, most of which were
good, and on one occasion, a
particularly good one for the Stude-
baker Exchange. Despite Miss Millward's
inquiries, she never obtained a
closer acquaintance with her
modest friend and benefactor.

To-day's Poem.

(I Lay My Head Down.)
"I lay my head down in the lap of
night—
A tired child, with mind all
blurred with dreams,
Who listens to a fairy tale that
seems
As though the mother told it not
aright.
And yet, so strangely scintillant
and bright
It falls among the rubbish, that
it gleams
A flake of light among a thou-
sand themes.

"So truth divine, upon the inner
sight
Is sifted from the shining hands
of One
Who bends above us in our deepest
gloom
Of unbelief when foolish fancies
run
Like children round the brain from
room to room—
Until at last, to light the ruin
done,
The star of truth springs into
sudden bloom."
—James Whitcomb Riley.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JUNE 19.
1903. I went up to Hampton Court
yesterday under a typh (as
everybody has done that has
gone by water these three
weeks, for the devil's in the
sky).
—Sir John Vanbrugh.

BEGINS.

A man's second childhood begins
when a woman gets hold of him.
—J. M. Barrie.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

June 19.—Coronet Theatre:
Gustavus, Talvalade in "The
Primitive Lover."
June 19.—The Star Theatre:
"The Toll Gate."
June 19.—World Theatre:
"Brass."
June 19.—Queen's Theatre:
Mac Marsh in "Nobody's Kid."
PUBLIC MOTION.
June 20.—Lammert Bros., at 6,
Cathaiok Street, Machinery,
11 a.m.
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"Kellet Lodge," 184, The Peak,
household furniture, etc., 2.45 p.m.
June 21.—Lammert Bros., at Sales
Rooms, Jobbing types etc., 11 a.m.
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Sales Rooms, printing machine
etc., noon.
COMPANY MEETINGS.
June 21.—Extraordinary gen-
eral meeting of A. S. Watson & Co.
Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, 11.30
a.m.
June 7.—Further extraordinary
meeting of A. S. Watson & Co.
Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, Pedder
Street, 11.30 a.m.
September 16.—Extraordinary
general meeting of The China
Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the
Registered Office of the Company,
Pedder Street, noon.
October 3.—Second meeting of
the China Sugar Refining Co.,
Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street,
noon.
October 20.—Third meeting of
The China Sugar Refining Co.,
Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street,
noon.
OTHER MEETINGS.
June 23.—Annual general meet-
ing of the Peak Club at the Club,
6.30 p.m., and extraordinary gen-
eral meeting immediately after.
July 14.—Further extraordinary
meeting of the Peak Club, 6.30
p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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and consternation a week or so
ago.

SAFETY FIRST.

HONGKONG WEATHER REPORTS.

SHIPMASTERS ASKED TO
CO-OPERATE.

On Saturday last details were
given of a scheme published in
the Gazette whereby local storm
warnings will be perfected as far
as possible by requesting ship-
masters to send in weather reports
to the Hongkong Observatory by
wireless.

As a matter of fact, this step
follows Mr. T. F. Claxton's (Direc-
tor of the Observatory, Hongkong)
revision of his "Notice to Mariners"
stressing the necessity of regularly
supplying weather observations
from ships. The original was
actually issued as far back as
March, 1921.

With the issue of the revised
circular, the Hongkong General
Chamber of Commerce has
arranged to send out to all shipping
companies calling special attention
also to captains of ships passing
through the port, and to secretaries
of Chambers of Commerce in
neighbouring ports asking them to
arrange for copies of the circular
to be given to master mariners
passing through their ports.

Only 12 per cent.

At a meeting at which Mr.
Claxton met the Chamber of Com-
merce some months ago the Direc-
tor of the Observatory mentioned
that though the number of ships
from which observations were
received in 1922 was about double
that of 1921, it is still only 12
per cent. of the ships within call.
Mr. L. H. King, the Hongkong
Government's wireless expert, has
stated that of 701 ships which
communicated with Cape D'Aguiar
during January and February of
this year, only 260 sent weather
reports.

It is hoped that this combined
effort by the Director of the
Observatory and the Chamber of
Commerce will be productive of a
better state of affairs.

Chamber of Commerce Circular.

The following is a copy of the
circular letter addressed by the
Chamber of Commerce to masters
of vessels fitted with wireless:—
"The Hongkong General Cham-
ber of Commerce has been pressing
for various improvements in the
Hongkong storm warning service,
calculated to make Hongkong
Observatory reports of greater
value to ships at sea. It is there-
fore disconcerting to learn from
the Director of the Royal Ob-
servatory, and from the Officer in
charge of Cape D'Aguiar Wireless
Station, that only a small pro-
portion of the vessels which
communicate with Cape D'Aguiar
supply weather reports for the
use of the Royal Ob-
servatory. It has been arranged
that henceforth Cape D'Aguiar,
on establishing wireless com-
munication with vessels, will ask
them for weather reports, if they
do not offer one. This appeal is
issued to masters of vessels to
co-operate with the Observatory
by wirelessly weather observa-
tions regularly, as a matter of ship
routine.

It is, of course, well-known to
you that typhoons entering the
China Sea often curve and recurve
so that considerable uncertainty
as to the direction that they
have taken is unavoidable. In
the absence of land observing
stations in the area, everything
depends upon the receipt of
weather observations from ships.
The Chamber would draw
your special attention to the
revised circular on the subject
just issued by the Director of the
Royal Observatory, Mr. T. F.
Claxton, in which he points out
that the accuracy and utility of
the Observatory forecasts will
increase in proportion to the
number of ships co-operating, the
accuracy of the observations, and
the promptness with which they
are despatched.

Cape D'Aguiar's Efficiency.
"In times past, inability to
establish communication with
Cape D'Aguiar has probably been
responsible for the scarcity of
weather reports from ships, but the
Chamber is able to state, on the
authority of the Government's
Electrical Engineer, Mr. King,
that the station now maintains a 24
hour a day watch and is capable of
communicating over considerably
increased distances. In the first
few months of the year com-
munication was established with
33 ships at distances of over 1,000
miles, and with gear which is to be
in position before the end of the
year it is expected that the Station
will be able to guarantee com-
munication at distances of 1,000
miles and more, subject, of course,
to the atmospheric interference
which is one of the handicaps of
wireless.

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"UNLUCKY" DELAY.

CAUGHT AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR.

Cook Turns Robber.

"Through the delay in sailing of
the s.s. "Shan Tung" from Hong-
kong to Shanghai the police were
able to get on board and arrest a
man suspected of a robbery,
earlier in the day.

He was charged before Mr.
Justice Dyer Ball at the Criminal
Sessions this morning with steal-
ing from 33, Portland Street,
Yau-mat, articles of jewellery,
money, several garments and
some trunks.

Mr. J. H. B. Nihil, prosecuting
for the Crown, said that the
robbery took place between two
and three o'clock in the afternoon.
The prisoner appeared to have
reckoned things out very carefully
and must have got on board with
the property almost at once for
the ship was due to leave at four
o'clock. As a matter of fact,
through some cause, it was not
able to leave until about twelve
o'clock.

These happenings, said Mr.
Nihil, took place on May 20.
Prisoner was cook at the house
and on that day was left alone in
the house with the aged mother
of the tenant who described him-
self as an ex-officer from the
Chinese Army.

About two
o'clock the man went to the old
lady's cubicle and commenced
rubbing her eyes, as was his duty,
with some blue stones which had
been prescribed for them. She
thought he was rubbing them
harder than usual and told him he
was making them sore. He
thereupon stuffed cotton wool in
her mouth, tied a handkerchief
round, and fastened her hands,
leaving her helpless on the bed.
He took a pair of ear-rings from
her ears, went out and locked the
door. The old lady could see
nothing but in the adjoining
cubicle (her son's) she heard the
opening and shutting of drawers
and boxes and the sound of a
strange voice.

The next person to see
prisoner was a hawk who kept
a stall in the doorway
adjoining the house. He saw
prisoner go down the stairs with
two other men carrying the
trunks and other articles. The
hawk thought he was acting
under orders and said nothing.

When the son returned home
and found his mother lying
trussed up on the bed and his
own room in a state of confusion
he immediately informed the
police. About \$30 in money was
missed.

About 10 o'clock that night
Inspector Murphy went on board
the "Shan Tung" accompanied
by the son of the aged lady. The
prisoner was found in the steerage
with some of the articles on his
person and others under a locker
on board. He had also a ticket
for Shanghai.

When charged prisoner had
replied that he only tied the old
lady up and kept guard. Some-
one else took the goods.

"Under Protest."

Prisoner's defence was that he
acted under protest and in fear
of his life. Two men called at
the house, and threatened him
with a dagger telling him not to
cry out. He did not tie the old
lady up but they made him keep
watch over the room in which the
old lady was tied up and, again
threatening his life if he did not
obey, told him to follow them and
took him on board the ship. The
reason he had on him a parcel
containing some of the articles
was that he had snatched them
from the robbers just before
telling them they were his
master's property. He was going
to rush up to his master
and hand the goods over to him
when he was arrested.

The jury returned a verdict of
guilty and His Honour com-
mented that it was a just verdict
and he could hardly imagine a
worse type of robbery than this
of the valuables of an old lady
and her son who placed confidence
in him. He would be sentenced
to 7 years with hard labour and
have 12 strokes of the birch.

Mrs. S. Berg, and Mr. and Mrs.
S. Baker have left by the s.s.
"Tango Maru."

According to a *Roulet* cable from
Geneva, Mr. Liang Shih-yi, the ex-
Premier of China, has arrived on a
visit to the League of Nations. He
was received by Sir Eric Drum-
mond and luncheoned by M. Attolico,
Under Secretary Mineral and other
high officials of the Secretariat.

Pratas Shon. An indispensable
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BETTER NEWS.

SITUATION ACROSS THE BORDER.

Railway and Telegraph Services.

News from across the New Territories border shows distinct improvement. Last week no trains got through from Canton to Samchun (the whole distance of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway) on several days owing to the military requiring all the locomotives for transport. The stoppage followed Dr. Sun's Honanese army being repulsed from Lung Kong, and their retirement on Ping Woo the railway town, forty miles from British territory.

During the last few days, the situation has eased off. As there are no pressing military movements the trains have been running with fair regularity between Samchun and Canton.

No through service has been attempted by the British section yet, although intending passengers are told as far as is known, of what may be expected in Chinese territory. Each morning a train leaves Kowloon and the hundred or so passengers walk across the boundary to take a Chinese train. A Chinese train arrives at Samchun in the afternoon and they take a British train to Kowloon. This unofficial system of interchange is entirely dependent on the military position as passengers will inevitably be crowded out when there is a rush. The people who use the interchange service are those who travel between Hongkong and intermediate towns, there being very few for Canton itself.

One item of news which has caused satisfaction is that the recent fighting has caused no interruption to the direct cable service between Hongkong and Canton. Messages are still going through as usual.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

TRADE MARKS.

CHINESE REGISTRATION PLANS.

PEKING, June 18. It is reported on good authority although the Legations have not been officially informed that the Trade Marks Bureau has decided to extend the period of registration marks for another six months. Also the Bureau is negotiating for the services of a foreign expert who will probably be a Norwegian. Foreign officials assert the Chinese are now showing a real desire to meet foreign requirements. *Reuter's Pacific Service.*

LOCAL METALS MARKET.

DEPRESSION CONTINUES.

Depression continues in the Hongkong metals market. This state of affairs is due partly to the lack of demand from consuming centres and partly to the simultaneous arrival of lots which had accrued from some time past. What with indents ordered for some months past but held up by industrial disputes, the lots which are arriving on time and other shipments booked "on speculation," Hongkong stocks of metals are increasing.

One result has been the abnormal number of claims presented by dealers who seem to have found an endless number of ways in which to find fault now that values have gone down. Nominal quotations by local dealers (business has been done occasionally at much lower rates) are as follows:—

Mild Steel Bars, 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" \$5.00 per picul.
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Galvanized Wire, 35 to 17 B.W.G. \$10.80.
Galvanized Wire, 18 to 22 B.W.G. \$12.80.

COAL.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration mines for the week ending June 7, amounted to 50,364 tons and the sales during the period to 79,997 tons.

RE-DISCOUNT RATE.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18. The Federal Reserve Board has reduced the re-discount rate one per cent to 3 1/2 per cent. *Reuter's American Service.*

FOREIGN INTERESTS.

CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

WASHINGTON, June 19.

With reference to newspaper despatches from China stating that the Chinese and Soviet Governments have agreed regarding the exclusive control of the Chinese Eastern Railway, the State Department makes a statement that the American Government on May 3 through Mr. Schurman formally drew China's attention to American interests in the railway.

Dr. Wellington Koo replied to the effect that only China and Russia were concerned in the railway and the arrangement with Russia did not prejudice the rights of other nations.

The statement adds that while the American forces during the war were in Siberia the railway was administered by an international commission financed by the Allied Powers. Thus the United States had become a creditor to the extent of about \$5,000,000, together with Great Britain, Japan and France.

It is understood that Japan and France have made similar representations to the Chinese Government and have received similar replies. *Reuter's American Service.*

CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

PEKING, June 18.

As regards the message from Reuter's correspondent at Peking dated yesterday, reporting the Waichiaopu's reply to the Japanese Note concerning the Chinese Eastern Railway, the Chinese Note says that such does not represent the attitude adopted in the Chinese Note. In declining to consider the reservations, it had reference to the possibility of interference with the future Sino-Russian negotiations concerning the Railway, while as regards the legitimate claims which Japan and any other Power might have against the Railway, it was expressly stated that they were not prejudiced by the recent Sino-Russian negotiations.

The Provincial Assembly and other public bodies in Fengtien have sent out a circular telegram stating that they have no special objection to China's resumption of formal relations with Russia, but they are constrained to raise objection to the fact that Russia has made an agreement with Peking, which has no knowledge of the actual conditions in Manchuria.

The telegram declares that they will never recognise any treaties or agreements concluded by Peking since May, 1921, and they feel sure that the unanimous public opinion in the Manchurian Provinces will not be disregarded by Chang Tso-lin. *Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

SOUTH AFRICA'S ELECTIONS.

CAPE TOWN, July 18. Mr. Malan, Minister of Mines and Industries, has been defeated. The latest state of the parties is Ministerialists 29; Labour 18; Nationalists 16; Independent 1.

LATEST POSITION.

CAPE TOWN, June 19. The position of the Parties is as follows:—

Ministerialists 46
Labour 18
Nationalists 41
Independent 1
The Nationalist leader Hertzog has been re-elected. The Cabinet Minister Sir T. W. Smarr has been re-elected but the Cabinet Minister Mr. Menz has been defeated.

The most notable feature of the election has been the Labour and Nationalist sweep of the Transvaal.

HOME CRICKET.

ESSEX V. SOUTH AFRICANS.

LONDON, June 18. At Colchester, the match between Essex and the South Africans commenced in glorious weather before 3,000 spectators, on a good, easy wicket.

Essex were out by tea-time for 155 (Russell 34, Pegler 4 wickets for 34).

The South Africans scored 157 for 2 wickets. Taylor made 104 not out by a magnificent all-round display and Hearne scored 43.

FRENCH AMNESTY.

LONDON, June 18. The amnesty mentioned by M. Herriot applies to those convicted by the Senate sitting as a High Court and therefore includes M. Caillaux.

PREMIERS TO MEET.

PARIS, June 18. M. Herriot is proceeding to London on June 21, and to Brussels on June 23.

Two mistresses of coolie boats were fined \$3 each for carrying passengers in excess of the number allowed by licence—the one 8 and another 13.

STILL NO NEWS.

PORTUGUESE FLIGHT TO MACAO.

"No news yet" was the reply given to the *China Mail* by the Hongkong Portuguese Consul General when an inquiry was made this morning as to whether the three Portuguese aviators had left on their last stage for Macao.

The Consul was of the opinion that if the aeroplane had left Haiphong, Hongkong would have been informed in a few hours and Macao would also have been notified. As nothing had come through he could only presume that they had not started. Asked if anything might have gone amiss, the Consul said that there was nothing to go by. If any serious trouble had arisen he thought the nature and consequences of it would also have been given out.

The fliers still form the most important topic of conversation in Macao the *China Mail* learns from residents from that Colony. Evidently they are not much better off as they cannot say definitely when the last lap will be completed and their information is confined to a surmise that the airmen must arrive by tomorrow at the latest if the weather is favourable.

Canton is also looking forward to a visit from the fliers and plans are going ahead for their reception after their arrival from Macao.

FILIPINO STOWAWAYS.

SIX MEN SENT TO JAIL FOR A MONTH.

Six Filipinos appeared at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning charged with stowing away on the "President Jefferson" from Manila to Hongkong.

Inspector Spear asked the Magistrate to make an example of the men. An officer of the ship told him that during the voyage none of the defendants had done any work at all. The steamship company undertook to ship back the men at the end of their penalty. The Filipinos were sent to jail for a month.

MAN OVERBOARD.

CHINESE DISAPPEARS FROM YAU MATI FERRY.

The coxswain of the "Man Sang," a Hongkong Yau mati ferry boat reports to the Police that while on the way to Yau mati yesterday at 1.30 p.m., an unknown Chinese male passenger jumped overboard.

The launch cruised about the spot for over a quarter of an hour, but failed to find any trace of the missing passenger. He is described as being 26 years of age.

PIGS AND A BRIBE.

FOOLISH ACTION OF A HAWKER.

Besides being charged with causing needless pain to three pigs by carrying them in a small crate, a Chinese hawker was charged at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning with offering a bribe to a Chinese policeman who arrested him.

Inspector Clark produced a small crate in Court and said the three pigs had been carried in it. The pigs, however, were not very big.

A Chinese constable said when he arrested defendant he was offered 50 cents not to charge him. Mr. Hamilton decided there had not been much cruelty caused to the pigs and he would impose a fine of \$1 or two days, but on the charge of offering a bribe, defendant would be fined \$10 with the alternative of serving 14 days in jail.

MISSING SEWING MACHINE.

COOLIE CARRIES IT AWAY UNDER HIS ARM.

For stealing a sewing machine from a Chinese married woman, a Chinese coolie was sentenced to a month in jail by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning.

Evidence showed that the complainant left the sewing machine on the verandah of her house last night. At 6 a.m. this morning it had disappeared.

A Chinese constable said he saw the defendant at 4 a.m. this morning with the machine under his arm. Another man with the coolie ran away and the coolie attempted to follow suit, dropping the machine first, but he was caught before he had gone a few yards.

CHEFOO NOTES.

HOW EMPIRE DAY WAS CELEBRATED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Chefoo, June 6.

Empire Day was celebrated here in high fashion. At 11.30 a.m. there was a Service at St. Andrew's Church, conducted by Rev. C. R. Burnett of Weihaiwei, where H.B.M. Consul and the Commissioner of Customs were both present.

At 2.30 p.m. Athletic Sports were held on the C.I.M. Boys' School Field, when J. L. Smith, Esq., H.B.M. Consul, and Dr. F. H. Judd acted as Judges. Mr. R. F. Harris and Mr. H. J. Raiton as Starters. Lt.-Col. F. Hayley Bell as Handicapper, and Mr. A. Surden, as Time Keeper.

There were races for grown-ups as well as children, and in several of the races men and schoolboys competed together. Every Britisher in Chefoo and most of their friends must have been present, and both competitors and onlookers thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The weather was all that could be desired and added considerably to making everything a fine success.

Tea for all was served in the School quadrangle at 4 p.m. when, thanks to the good work of Mrs. Hayley Bell, Mrs. Judd, and other British ladies of the Port everyone had a fine "pick-in" the ice creams and lemonade being especially appreciated by the children.

The Sports were not finished till 5.30 when followed the prize distribution, the prizes being presented by Mrs. Hayley Bell. Mr. J. L. Smith made a short and appropriate speech, ending with three cheers for King George V., followed by a "tiger." All present then joined in singing the National Anthem. The schoolboys were then at liberty to do some cheering, and all those who had helped to make the afternoon such a conspicuous success were duly cheered.

May 30 was the American Decoration or Memorial Day and the graves of the American sailors buried in the East Beach Cemetery were very prettily decorated by the members of the American community here. A short Service was held at the Cemetery at 10 a.m., conducted by Dr. W. O. Elterich, or the American Presbyterian Mission, who gave a short address, firstly explaining for the benefit of the children present the why and wherefore of this Day being kept in this way. Mr. Moore also assisted in the service, which closed with the sounding of the Last Post, by Rev. G. Browne. Most of the American community and a few friends were present. Among the former were Mr. J. R. Putnam, the U.S. Consul, and Mrs. and Miss Putnam; also Mr. H. A. C. Emery and Rev. T. F. and Mrs. McGee.

On May 31 the C.I.M. Boys' School again met the Chefoo Cricket Club on the School grounds.

The Club elected to bat first, and were very unfortunate to lose Mr. Harrison for 0, and Mr. Sugden for only 6. Mr. Graham was away and was badly missed, and it seemed as if, thanks to the good bowling and fine fielding of the boys, the Settlement were in for a very thin time. Mr. Lilley, however, made a determined stand, and guily hit the ball all around the wicket, being finally bowled by Moore after making 37. After Mr. Lilley was bowled the Club were very soon disposed of, having made altogether a total of 83. The boys now went in to bat, and Mr. Grubb secured his first wicket with the first ball of the game. After two good catches also from Mr. Grubb's bowling the score stood at 6 runs for 3 wickets down. Burnett, however, made a good stand, making 12, including two good fours, before being caught out by Mr. Whitmore. G. Vale, the School Captain, and Mr. J. N. Duncan, then went in and turned defeat into victory; the School being all out for 102.

The Publication of the Chefoo Daily News recommenced on June 1, this time under the management of Messrs. James McMullan & Co., Ltd., and one is again receiving the daily telegrams and other news. The paper has been recommenced with a larger issue than previously, and one wishes it the best of success. In a small paper like this the undertaking is not exactly a profitable one, and deserves every support.

On June 3 the Birthday of H.M. King George V., a reception was held by Mr. J. L. Smith, at H.M. Consulate, from 11 to 12 noon. Most of the British community and many of their friends were present, to drink the King's Health, which was followed by

WARDER CHARGED.

LEAVING WITHOUT GIVING NOTICE.

WANTED TO LEAVE COLONY.

Warder Webster of the Victoria Jail was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning with leaving the service of the jail without giving proper notice.

Before Mr. J. W. Franks the Jail Superintendent was called, Webster said that as a result of his not saluting Mr. Franks, he had been told that if he did not like the service he could go.

Mr. Franks told the Court that the usual custom of engagement with warders was a twelve months' probationary period and at the end of the time the warders would be asked to sign an agreement for five years. Webster had signed no agreement, but all warders during the probationary period were required to give a month's notice if they wanted to leave.

Defendant's service, continued the Jail Superintendent had not been satisfactory at all. The recent affair happened outside the gate when defendant failed to salute him. In his office, witness said he told Webster that he had to salute him whether he was on duty or off, in or out of uniform.

"I told him," said Mr. Franks, "that if he did not like the service, he could leave by giving a month's notice."

Cross-examined by defendant, Mr. Franks said he could not swear that he had not told defendant at any time that he could leave at a moment's notice. He was not prepared to swear that he told Webster as a result of this saluting business that "muskies a month's notice," he could go.

Chief Warder McLeod stated that Webster should have paraded at 6 a.m. on the 4th inst., but he did not appear, neither had he appeared since. He did not know that Webster was leaving.

Another warder called by defendant, said he was engaged about the same time as defendant on twelve months' probation. No mention was made at the time to him about giving one month's notice.

In reply to defendant, witness said he had understood Mr. Franks to say he would get rid of them at a moment's notice and therefore he thought he could go at a moment's notice.

Asked by the Magistrate if he wanted to make a statement Webster said he was under the impression that if he did not like the job he could get out. He had always been working at places where, if he did not like the job, he got out of it. He wanted to get out of the Colony.

Mr. Lindell said he would record a conviction and he would bind over defendant in the sum of \$50 to come up for judgment if called upon.

A CURIOUS "FIND."

For depositing "rubbish" in the waters of the Colony the mistress of a fishing junk was fined \$3 at the Marine Court this morning.

Dr. Hughes said that when stopped by him the woman threw something overboard from her pocket. She did the same thing when brought on board the police launch. On being taken to a cabin she tried to do the same thing again but the object fell on to the floor. Witness examined it and found that it was a detonator. The woman said her little boy found it on shore. Fined \$3.

three cheers for His Majesty, and the National Anthem. H.E. the Tao Yin, the Officer Commanding the Chinese troops here, and the American, Belgian, French, Japanese, Norwegian, and Swedish Consuls, were among those present.

Admiral and Mrs. Washington arrived here on June 5 on the Yacht "General Alava." Salutes were fired and returned between the Chinese Gunboat, "Hai Chi," which is at present here in port, and the Yacht.

To-day is the Dragon Boat Festival, and most of the local firms, Chinese and Foreign, are making holiday.

News is just to hand of the pirating of the mid-day launch running between Chefoo and Yang-ma-dao. The launch left here as usual yesterday at noon, and must have been pirated during the trip, which only took an hour and a half. The Customs Launch went out from here to search for the missing boat, and found her stranded, mid the passengers scattered. It is said that thirty of the latter have been taken captive, but nothing much is known definitely as yet.

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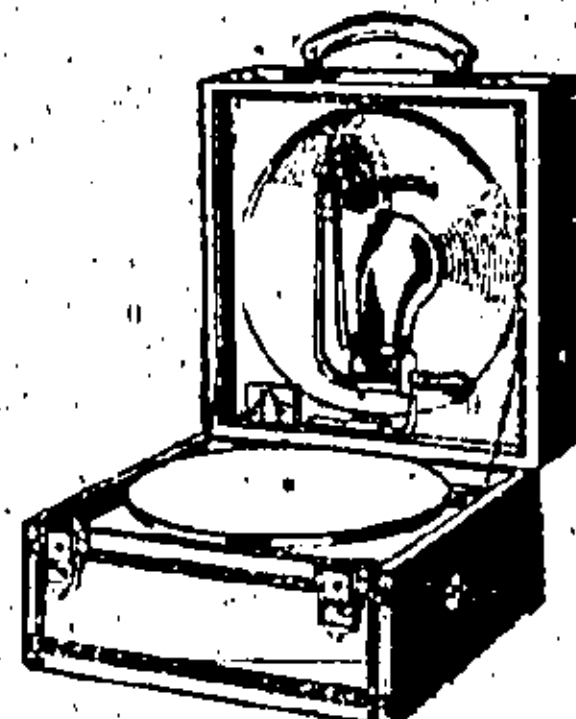
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"ARABIAN"	8,400	2nd July	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
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"KASHMIR"	11,430	5th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"KASHMIR"	11,430	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	11,430	16th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	11,430	17th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	11,430	18th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	11,430	19th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"REPROOFS."

MR. WELLS AND SPAIN'S
DICTATOR.

Who is right—Mr. H. G. Wells or the Spanish Dictator, General Primo de Rivera? They differ profoundly regarding Don Miguel Unamuno, the Spanish G.B.S., who was deported to Fuencaballera, in the Canary Islands, last February.

This is how Mr. H. G. Wells, writing in the *New York American*, "sees it through."
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It was stated at the time of the deportation that it was due to attacks on King Alfonso, but General Primo de Rivera—as announced by the *Daily Express* Madrid correspondent—now says that the professor was exiled because of his personal and vulgar attacks on the Queen.

In answer to a message of inquiry the *Daily Express* Madrid correspondent telegraphed that Don Unamuno's alleged attacks on the Queen were "ribaldries in the worst taste," which could not be published.

VILLAGE TERROR.

MANIAC'S HOLD BROKEN
BY DEATH.

A story of the manner in which a religious fanatic during the long Arctic night dominated the life of a tiny Eskimo hamlet 400 miles within the Arctic Circle, bringing to the villagers a reign of madness, murder, and gloom, which ended only with his death, comes from a far outpost of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Neakutuk, company factor and Cresson of Kivutuk, a village on the eastern shore of Baffin Island, announced soon after winter came that a message from the Great Spirit had appointed him vicar and ordered him to lead his fellow villagers to the land beyond the stars, according to the tale.

They watched in awe as the self-appointed prophet pored for hours over his Bible, and when he ordered strange rites they obeyed.

The entire village for days abstained from food; at other times there were long orgies. Many of the villagers killed themselves in order to escape from Neakutuk's influence; others went mad. Two of them killed another who dared to doubt; another, illiterate, was doomed to death for the sacrilege of looking at a Bible. The villagers, when daylight followed night, scarcely noticed the return of the sun, so bound were they by the hypnotic spell. Kidnaping, the village strong man, finally killed Neakutuk in a fit of rage when the fanatic struck a woman who had unwittingly broken one of his rules.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Jefferson" on June 16: Messrs A. R. Cortis, Pedro Gimenez Zabala, T. Amil, Felipe Estar, Byron E. Wrigley Jr., Chas. Gorkon, G. Sanchez, Mrs. M. Sanchez, Master Dick Sanchez, Miss (Garcia) Sanchez, Mr. Lewis E. Davis, Miss Carcen R. Santos, Mrs. Rosario Estrella, Messrs K. K. Tsai, A. A. Swanson, Lee Hong, Li Kuit On, Ng Chee, Mrs. Mercedes de la Cruz, Mr. L. de la Cruz, Mr. S. C. Galloway, Lient, and Mrs. O. E. Donny, Master Clifford Denny Jr., Mrs. L. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meneghini, Mr. W. C. Brockman, Mr. F. S. Brockman, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Clarke, Messrs J. H. Dikes, Lyman H. Burke, T. A. Gabriel, L. Fuentes, E. C. McCullough, K. J. Hime, Miss M. L. Sprout, Mr. M. Ronquidez, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pender, Miss Priscilla Pender, Mrs. A. P. Hickman, Master John Hickman, Miss Elizabeth Hickman, Master E. P. Hickman, Master Franklin Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Phipp.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 1st July, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 18th June, 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.
From NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "SUVERIC"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 23rd June, 1924, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 30th June, 1924, or they will not be recognized.

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MOMENTOUS ELECTION.

SOUTH AFRICA TO BE "LABOURITE."

London, June 18.
The election in South Africa was the most momentous in its history. There were 267 candidates for 131 contested seats. Many rural constituencies cover huge areas, which will delay the announcement of the final result, but already the South African party, of which General Smuts is the leader, has had its majority of eight at the dissolution wiped out, with notable leaders like General Smuts and Sir Abe Bailey and Mr. Rooth (Chairman of Committees), defeated.

All three parties entered the fight with the utmost confidence. The South African party, which absorbed the predominantly British Unionist party, had 129 candidates. The Nationalists, who are mostly Dutch, headed by Mr. Hertzog had 84, the Labourites 37. But the feature of the election was an agreement or pact between the Nationalists and Labourites, who were mutually pledged to vote for one another. The South Africans were most optimistic, claiming there had been a revulsion of feeling against the Pact. The centre of the fight was the Rand, Cape Province.

No important changes are anticipated in Natal or the Free State. There were very few triangular fights. One of the most notable was the Rand constituency at Denver, where Colonel Creswell, leader of the Labourites, defeated a South African and an Independent Labourite. "Reuter."

Cape Town, June 18.
The Labour leader Creswell has been re-elected. Up to the present, the state of the parties is as follows: Ministerialists, 25; Labour, 18; Nationalists, 12; Independent Labourite, 1. "Reuter."

OUT FOR A WALK.

A ROGUE ON BOARD STEAMER.

That he had gone on board for a walk was the naive excuse given by Fung Tai, a man with a bad name, who was found moving in a suspicious manner among the passengers on board the s.s. "Nairung." He was told he was suspected of picking pockets and taken to the police station.

He appeared before Lieut. Commander Hake at the Marine Court yesterday charged that, being a suspected person and a reputed thief, he was on board without permission.

The man's record showed that he had been sentenced to 42 days' hard labour and banishment to Canton for five years for stealing in 1908, and also that in 1912 he had been found in the Colony carrying an offensive weapon. For this he was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour, and re-arrested on his discharge for a breach of banishment order, was again banished, this time to Macao for a period of 10 years.

Sentenced to two months' hard labour.

A charge of using obscene language brought by Mr. W. V. Curtis of 18a Nathan Road, Kowloon, against C. H. Windsor was withdrawn at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Mr. Curtis informed the Magistrate that he was quite satisfied with the apology that had been given.

According to a *Daily Bulletin* cable from Tokyo, more moderate counsel prevailing, and the committee appointed by the Japanese Christians at a conference held on the 13th inst. failing to agree regarding a definite course of action, the proposal to break off from the American missions has been dropped.

Mr. Justice Horridge, in the Divorce Court, granted a decree nisi to Mrs. Hilda Maynell, of Ormonde-terrace, Regent's Park, on the ground of the misconduct of her husband, Mr. Francis Meredith Wilfrid Maynell, the well-known Communist. The suit was not defended.

PARODY OF "IF."

MAN WHO COLLECTED MILLIONS.

At an inquest on Charles Russell Browne, 29, an ex-flying officer, for five years an income-tax collector in the City of London, who was found dead in his Aldersgate-street office recently, Harry Davenish, the caretaker, said he found an envelope stuck on the door with the words, "Gas, be careful," printed on it. On lifting the letter-box flap he could smell gas, and he saw Mr. Browne lying beside the fireplace.

The coroner said there was a letter which ran:

"The coward's way out, but the man who wrote these lines was a genius—only a parody, but what a world of truth. Truth, truth! If you lack faith and hope and intuition and energy and grit to get things done one thing alone will save you from perdition, and that is suicide, my son. The old men who made war for the sole purpose of making money and watching the young men go out and do their bidding, shedding somewhat tears as the casualty lists came through, they, too, will have something to answer for."

Mr. Coroner, the usual verdict, please.

Mr. Copley Hewett, clerk to the Commissioner of Taxes, said Mr. Browne was the collector for the wards of Bishopsgate Within, Without, and St. Bartholomew's—a very big area with a lot of work attached to it.

The coroner (Mr. F. J. Thomas) He might have collected two or three millions?—Yes.

Mr. Hewett said that Mr. Browne would have a gross sum, out of which he would have to provide offices and the necessary clerks, and so on. "If a collector was as anxious to get as much as he could for himself, he would overwork himself through not getting additional assistance."

The coroner said that he was glad that the system of payment was going to be reviewed, because this case illustrated that a man might be saving money for his wife and home when he ought to be using it for assistance in his work. He recorded a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind.

MARRYING TWICE.

WHY THE WIDOW USELESS WINS.

It has always been a vexed point whether a man or woman should marry for the second time on the loss of their wife or husband.

Cases in which a first marriage has been so ideal that any subsequent bond seems a desecration of its perfect memory involves a frame of mind more common among friends and relatives than among the individuals chiefly concerned, thinks the *Daily Mail*. Often, indeed, it seems that those whose first marriages were happy are the ones most likely to make a second venture.

Among many less personal and yet strong reasons for a second marriage, the problem of children stands first. Even the most rigid opponents of second marriages admit the pitiful position of a widower with young children. He is most awkwardly placed, unless he has a sister or near relative to come to his rescue.

The fear of a "step-mother" is mostly ill-founded. In actual life, the greatest danger is that she should spoil the children by undue indulgence, fearing the accusation of harshness.

When a widow proposes to marry again she must be prepared for a certain amount of criticism which if not actually hostile is not usually altogether sympathetic. Possibly, her re-marriage offends the ideals of those who take pride in the thought of a woman's unchanging devotion to the dead.

Almost certainly, if there is competition between a spinster and a widow for the same man, the widow will win! Possibly she has acquired an understanding of masculine nature that the other lacks.

COUNTY CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

POSITION AS AT JUNE 18, 1924.

County.	Points obtained.	Possible points.	Average.
Sussex	37	50	74.00
Yorkshire	35	50	71.43
Surrey	33	50	66.67
Middlesex	26	40	65.00
Kent	25	40	62.50
Lancashire	27	45	60.00
Leicestershire	17	30	56.66
Somerset	19	35	54.29
Gloucestershire	22	45	48.88
Nottinghamshire	13	30	43.33
Warwickshire	7	20	35.00
Essex	11	35	31.41
Glamorganshire	14	50	28.00
Northamptonshire	6	25	24.00
Worcestershire	9	45	20.00
Derbyshire	7	35	20.00
Hampshire	7	40	17.50

CARLYLE LETTERS.

A BRUSH WITH SAMUEL ROGERS.

Under the title of "Jane Welsh Carlyle: Letters to her Family, 1829-1863" (Murray, 21s.) Dr. Leonard Huxley has edited a series of letters written by Mrs. Carlyle, the wife of Thomas Carlyle, the historian, to her cousins Helen and Jeannie Welsh. They were for years lost sight of, and finally came into the possession of Miss Crystal, the daughter of Jeannie Welsh, who has been persuaded no longer to keep for herself what was meant for mankind.

Of women letter writers, Mrs. Carlyle was one of the greatest; indeed, she is, perhaps, excelled in her country only by the famous Lady Bessborough, who toughed greater heights and lived in more tremendous times. In this volume, which has been edited with singular skill and felicity, she is at her very best. It is a veritable literary feast that Dr. Huxley has provided for the reader, and the book has not a dull page.

Carlyle was a trying husband, and his wife in the later years of her life suffered cruelly from sleeplessness, for which she was ordered to take drugs. She always said that she was not the right wife for him.

"C. should have had 'a strong minded woman' for wife, with a perfectly sound liver, plenty of 'solid fat,' and mirth and good humour world without end—men do best with their opposites. I am too like himself in some things—especially as to the state of our lives, and so we aggravate one another's tendencies to despair." His ways were careless.

"Our house is on a sort of climax of irregularity just at present—C. orders the dinner at half after four and keeps it waiting till six—goes to bed at two—and the breakfast prolongs itself into midday. It is an evil in itself to a punctually disposed person like myself."

There is an allusion to his habit of stuffing his ears with cotton wool, to shut out the noises which he hated.

"C's hair is creeping slowly over the tops of his ears, but that is all the way it has got. Mention the cotton is still used for one ear—in which, however, it never stays long, but is generally to be seen (not without astonishment by the uninitiated) sticking, a small, white pellet, at the end of some stray hair."

Tennyson appears several times.

"Alfred is dreadfully embarrassed with women alone—for he entertains at one and the same moment a feeling of almost adoration for them and an ineffable contempt! adoration I suppose for what they might be—contempt for what they are! The only chance of my getting any right good of him was to make him forget my womanhood."

So she plied him with pipes, tobacco, brandy and water, and he "talked like an angel."

She had an encounter with the poet Samuel Rogers, of whom she said that "he ought to have been buried long ago, so old and ill-natured he is grown." It was at Lady Ashburton's, and she was generally known to be jealous of that great woman's influence over her husband. Rogers at once asked her:

"Is your husband as much infatuated as ever with Lady Ashburton?" "Oh, of course," I said,

"BATTLING" KEY.

THIRD FIGHT WITH GRADY.

"Batling" Key, the Straits boxer who was up here last year, is still "thick in the fight." Last week he met Eddie Grady for the third time at Singapore when they both tipped the beam at 9 stone 3 lbs. Grady was the winner.

Grady took the first round. Landing a hard right hook which staggered Key, he scored frequently with a similar punch.

Key forced matters in the second round, but he was again staggered with straight lefts. Key got home once or twice. Grady complained that Key was using his head.

Key improved in the third, but he was caught with straight lefts.

Grady's left hands were still in prominence in the fourth. Key slipped to the boards once, but he was up immediately and went for Grady, landing a right.

Grady crossed his right well as the fifth round opened, and he boxed well throughout. Key was boxing very ineffectively.

Key boxed on better lines in the sixth, but he was very slow. In the seventh, Key was again beaten to the punch. He landed heavily, but Grady was making good use of his left.

Key was sent off his feet with a right hook to the jaw in the eighth. He was to his feet, but could not catch Grady with his right. In the ninth, Grady was travelling faster than Key. Key forced matters, but was met by a perfect left every time he came in. Grady also crossed his right frequently.

Key was caught with a right to the jaw and driven round the ring. He collapsed, but rose at a count of six to be sent down again. The going saved him from being knocked out.

VICAR'S POVERTY.

EKES OUT LIVING PLAYING IN-BAND.

The Rev. C. L. Bradley, vicar of Chesterton, near Bicester, Oxon, has refused to accept the Easter offering, amounting to £5 14s. 3d.

At the Easter vestry meeting he said if he were to accept that sum without a protest he would be either a fool or a knave—a fool if it were supposed that he thought the amount to be an adequate offering to God from the parish for the sacred ministrations provided, or a knave if it were supposed that he would be glad enough to accept it at the price of keeping his mouth shut when the truth should be told.

"Morally speaking," the vicar said, "I have saved this parish £150 by trying to eke out a living without asking for its support. To this end I have travelled 10,000 miles and worked 1,000 hours in Oxford, also playing the violin in a restaurant orchestra. Five pounds or thereabouts can be picked up any night by a whist drive without any trouble."

"Why shouldn't he?" "Now—do you like her—tell me honestly is she kind to you—as kind as she is to your husband?"

She went to the Great Exhibition of 1851 and reported that it was very tiring, and "when you come to look at the wares in any detail there was nothing really worth looking at."

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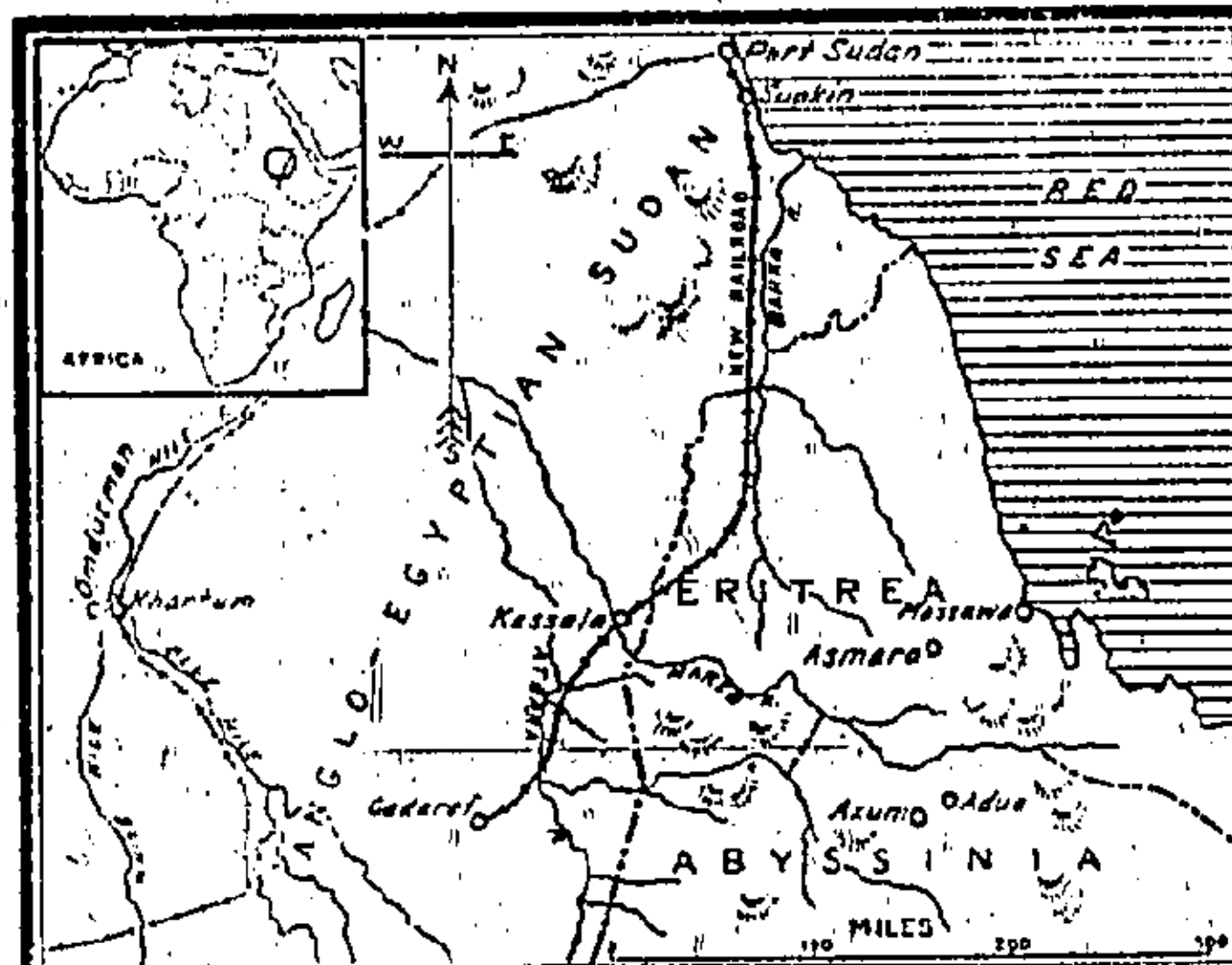
Mrs. Rhett Goode, of Alabama, new Chaplain-General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, succeeding Mrs. Thomas A. Edison, who refused to run for office again because of her husband's ill health.



H. P. Davis, vice-president of the Westinghouse Co., known as "the father of radio broadcasting," who has just explained a new process, by which New Yorkers will be able to tune in on London stations as easily as on WEAF, WJZ or WHN—recent experiments proving the feasibility of transmitting on inaudible or low frequency waves and through repeating stations without causing interference.



This is the first picture to be taken of Luther Burbank, famous horticulturist, since his recent critical illness. Mr. Burbank—celebrated—his 75th birthday in March.



SUDAN RAIL OUTLET—The newly developed rail line of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan will have a new outlet to the sea upon completion of the railroad to Port Sudan, now under construction. It is believed in Italy, which controls Eritrea, that the road also has a military purpose.



Photo by Central News. Wonders of Wembley.—The "Danish Devils' Ride to Death." Photograph shows the troupe outside the show.

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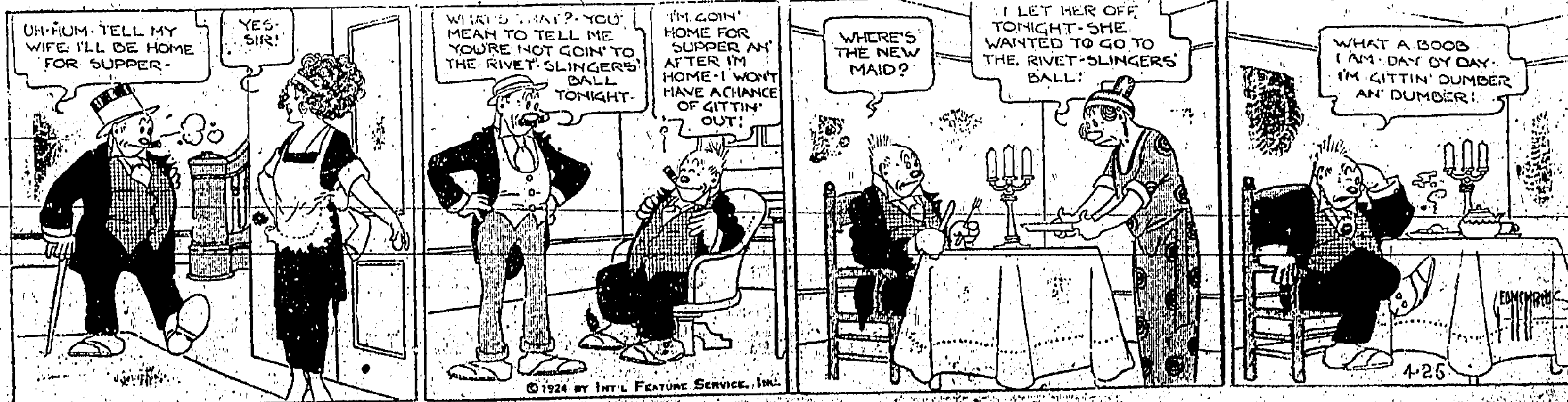
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